

Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Application No.:	10/575,904	Examiner:	Watson, Robert C.
Filing Date:	April 14, 2006	Art Unit:	3723
First Inventor:	Keitaro Yonezawa	Customer No.:	23364
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For:	POSITIONING APPARATUS AND CLAMPING SYSTEM HAVING THE SAME		

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 TO OFFICE ACTION
OF AUGUST 6, 2008**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the Office Action dated August 6, 2008 in the above application wherein claims 1-3, 7-11, and 17-19 are finally rejected.

In view of the following remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.